



**Natural Resources Economist
Office of Budget and Economics
Recruitment #2007-01-3769**

The Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) seeks to create a pool of candidates interested in an economist position with our Office of Budget and Economics. Within the agency's economic group, an economist will conduct economic analysis and studies of the forest products industry of importance to the department's mission, the state's economy and rural sustainable development.

AGENCY MISSION AND CHALLENGE:

The mission of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is to provide professional, forward-looking stewardship of our state lands, natural resources, and environment. DNR provides leadership under the Commissioner of Public Lands, an elected official, in creating a sustainable future for the State Trust Lands.

At the DNR, we envision a future in which our human and natural environment provides abundant and diverse social, ecological, and economic benefits for the people of Washington, in this and all future generations. In acting to ensure the vision, we ensure sustainability.

DNR manages over 5 million acres of state-owned land that includes forest, range, commercial, agricultural and aquatic lands. Since 1970 DNR-managed lands have generated \$6 billion that support public schools, state institutions and county services. These lands also provide public benefits that include fish and wildlife habitat, clean and abundant water and public access to outdoor recreation. The DNR operates with a biennial budget of approximately \$400 million and has over 1300 employees. For more information about the department, see the DNR website at www.dnr.wa.gov

Job Classification:	Economic Analyst 2 or 3 (depending on qualifications)
Type of Position:	<p>This is a permanent position. The person appointed will be placed at the Economic Analyst 2 or 3 level depending on qualifications. This position may also be offered as an in-training opportunity.</p> <p>This position is represented by the WFSE. Once appointed to this position the incumbent will be required to pay union dues or other representation fee within the first 30 days of employment.</p>
Monthly Salary Range:	<p>Economic Analyst 2- Range 54 \$3540 -\$4531 /mo</p> <p>Economic Analyst 3- Range 60 \$4106 - \$5258/mo</p>
Benefits Package:	Health and dental insurance, retirement pension, vacation, sick leave and holidays
Posting Date:	January 9, 2007
Closing Date:	Initial screening on this position will begin on February 16, 2007 however; this recruitment will remain open until the position is filled.
Location:	Olympia, WA (heart of the great Pacific Northwest)

JOB PROFILE

Under general supervision and given guidelines as part of the budget and economics team, this professional position conducts economic studies and analysis or segments of major economic studies; assesses present and expected future course of state's forest products industry and prepares and presents assigned technical reports. This includes:

- Substantial responsibility in planning, preparing, data gathering, analysis and administering the Washington Timber Harvest Report and the Washington State Mill Survey;
- Identifying emerging economic/financial issues within the forest products industry and identifying their potential impact on the states economy, rural sustainable development and the department's missions;

- Communicating with internal and external stakeholders, including substantial responsibility for public information requests relative to the Washington Timber Harvest Report, Washington Mill Survey, and the forest products industry;
- Assist in the gathering and analysis of data used in the development of the department's policies related to Forest management;
- Performing other work as required;

DESIRED POSITION QUALIFICATIONS

- Masters degree or higher in, Forest Economics, Economics, Natural Resources or Agricultural Economics, Finance, or Business Administration;
- Profession experience working in a team environment to produce high-level financial and economic analysis;
- Knowledge of, forest economic, economic and/or complex financial analysis;
- Knowledge of the forest products industry, forestry investment, and forest policy;
- Knowledge of budgeting and accounting practices;
- Skills in planning and conducting major projects and work schedules;
- Demonstrated ability to communicate complex forest economic, economic, and fiscal issues orally and in writing to a variety of audiences;
- Networking and stakeholder skills;
- Knowledge of legislative processes and practices;
- Microsoft Word, Excel, Access and other PC programs.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Interested candidates should submit:

- A letter of interest (not more than two pages) that describes how your experience relates to the desired qualifications and
- A current resume.
- An online voluntary [Applicant Profile Questionnaire](#).

Submit all materials by the closing date to:

Electronic method preferred

dnrrecruiting@wadnr.gov

OR other method

Roberta Searles
Department of Natural Resources
PO BOX 47033
Olympia, WA 98504-7033

NOTE: Please indicate Natural Resource Economist, Recruitment #2007-01-3769 in the subject line of your e-mail.

By submitting the application materials you are indicating that all information is true and correct to the best of your knowledge. You understand that the state may verify information and that untruthful or misleading information is cause for removal from applicant pool or dismissal if employed.

For information about this position please contact Jana Greer at (360) 902-1730.

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